

Subject: Re: CPRA request (FDBID.2019.12.30.a)
From: [REDACTED]
Date: 5/26/20, 5:21 PM
To: "LA Fashion District" <info@fashiondistrict.org>
CC: "Rena Leddy" <rena@fashiondistrict.org>

Dear Ms. Leddy,

Is there some reason you're now requiring a flash drive? And is there some reason you're now requiring a "sealed/new flash drive"? Do these policy modifications relate to protecting "the health and safety of [your] staff and the public"? Please advise.

Furthermore, by adopting a policy that requires the absolutely unnecessary and avoidable exchange of physical objects it seems to me that you're actually endangering everyone's health by this policy. Mine, yours, and all the various intermediaries who are required for the transfer of physical objects.

You're volunteering yourself to accept mail when it's not necessary and thereby endangering your health. You're requiring me to accept mail when it's not necessary and thereby endangering my health. You're requiring mail carriers, sorters, processors, and so on, to carry, sort, and process mail when it's not necessary and thereby endangering the health of every single one of these people. Every guideline promulgated by every public agency dealing with this crisis recommends against carrying out unnecessary physical transactions except, it seems, for guidelines followed by your BID.

Not only that, but you're endangering the health of all these people just so you can continue to double down on some obscure technical point that your lawyer invented purely to frustrate my access to records, as she has admitted publicly on a number of occasions. This is why you're willing to put everyone's lives at risk, including your own.

So in case it's not clear, my unequivocal choice for obtaining the records is that you make them available to me electronically without placing lives at risk and at no charge as the law, common sense, and basic social morality require of you.

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On Tue, May 26, 2020, at 5:02 PM, LA Fashion District wrote:

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As I am sure you are aware, the BID is a public agency, but not a public entity. And in this particular case, the Fashion District BID is doing its best to comply with the law, and protect the health and safety of its staff and the public. The Fashion District BID office is not open.

We are all hoping and expecting the City and County of Los Angeles will authorize the reopening of our offices in the next few weeks. When that occurs, employees will be asked to return to the office, and arrangements will be made to make records available for your inspection in the office.

As I indicated in my initial response, the BID also remains willing to provide you with the records on a flash drive, without charging you for the cost of copying the files onto the flash drive, a cost the BID is entitled